

Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, February 9, 1993

Peter Russell.

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Mr. Treasurer~

It is my pleasant duty to present to you Professor Peter Russell and request that you confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws honoris causa.

A political scientist he has contributed significantly to his own profession and to the legal profession in his writings on the Constitution, the Supreme Court and the interplay between the law and public policy.

His contribution has gone far beyond his writings and teachings; he has served on various commissions including the Royal Commission on the RCMP and he was a lay member of the Legal Aid Committee of this Law Society for 10 years. Latterly he was the first chair of the Ontario Judicial Appointments Committee which broke new ground in the manner in which judicial appointments are made.

His academic achievements resulted in his election as a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and his contribution to the country was recognized by his appointment as an Officer of the Order of Canada.

It is now fitting that this Law Society on behalf of the legal profession acknowledge its debt and gratitude to Professor Russell and confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws honoris causa.